

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Dziubek opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL - Present: Matt Severino, William Bischoff, Frank Mazza, Patricia Dziubek,. Absent: Rob Haynes. Bob Swisher and Paul Frieda of Supple, Clooney & Co, Grace Brennan, CFO and Ella M. Ruta, Township Clerk, were also present.

Sunshine Law Announcement – “I would like to announce and have placed in the Minutes that adequate notice of this special meeting of the Union Township Committee has been provided in accordance with the “Open Public Meetings Act” by electronic mail to the Hunterdon Democrat and Courier News; and by posting such notice on the bulletin board in the Municipal Building and by filing a copy of the notice with the Township Clerk”.

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PURPOSE OF THE MEETING

a. Discussion of 2009 Municipal Budget

- Grace Brennan, CFO, presented the Committee with the 2009 Budget document, with revisions she felt were necessary. Mrs. Brennan further said that no increases in salaries and wages are reflected in the proposed budget.
- Mr. Swisher stated that as the budget stands right now with no salary increases, the 2009 budget would slightly increase, but the increase would be much lower than previous years. The Township would also stay under allowable cap.

Mr. Swisher continued to explain the budget he pointed out areas where the budget could be further reduced and areas where the budget has to increase. Specifics were discussed.

Mr. Swisher and Mr. Frieda left the meeting at 7:36 p.m.

As the Committee will examine the budget line by line at the next budget workshop, Mr. Bischoff pointed out a few general issues he felt the Committee should consider in preparation of the 2009 municipal budget: no increases in salaries and wages, reduction in personnel, closing departments showing losses. Mrs. Dziubek mentioned looking at longevity pay.

The Committee is considering holding a Community Day in 2009.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – None

ADJOURNMENT – There being no further business to come before the Township Committee at this time, Mr. Severino made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bischoff seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous favorable roll call vote.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 8:16 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Ella Malecki Ruta, RMC
Municipal Clerk